

as a wife—She was educated in England & speaks English, French, [6] Dutch & German with the greatest fluency & propriety—she is anxious to accompany me to America & willing to go with me to any part of the world—were I not fearful of incurring the displeasure of the family I would marry her—but without their unanimous approbation I will not—what think you of it?—observe I have not courted her, of course can have made no manner of engagement—I have come to the Knowledge of this by a singular instance of female condour [candor].—Cooper is now here & his wife in Ireland—& a more distressed man you never Knew—he has neither money, friends, or Credit & is 2 or £300 in Debt—I shudder at his situation & lament that I cannot assist him—what he will do, God only knows. mention not to any body that you have heard it—With Love to the family I am affectionately

Yours

THO. BLOUNT

P. S. I have recovered from my late illness & now enjoy very good health—Tob^o. of every kind, except Maryland, is very low here—

Addressed: Mess^{rs}. John G. & Tho. Blount
Washington
N^o Carolina

Via Norfolk
p Ship Bowman
Capt. Butler

Richard Caswell to John Gray Blount

NEWINGTON July 7th 1787.

Dear Sir

Agreeably to the requests of Mr. Spaight and Mr. Williamson I forward to you Warrants on the Collectors of Import for £120 each [and] I suppose [that] they have advised you in what manner their remittances are to be made; Please to forward by post the enclosed letter to the Deputies

I am Sir, Your Most Obed^t Serv^t.

R^d. CASWELL

J. G. Blount esq^r